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DEFENSE SCORES POINT DURING INVESTIGATION

Attorney for Glavis Secures Valuable Information From the Discharged Stenographer

EXPLOSION OF
BOILERS WRECK
ENTIRE PLANT

By Associated Press.
CANTON, O., May 17.—With a roar heard three miles away, a battery of seven boilers at the plant of the American sheet and tin plate company, exploded today, killing from twenty to thirty men, and injuring fifty. Among the injured a half dozen are expected to die before morning. The plant is practically a total loss.

The identification of the men is difficult. Heads, arms and legs were blown from bodies and fragments of bodies were blown blocks from the scene. Bits of human flesh have been picked up on porches and roofs of houses and in trees.

A hundred men were working in the plant at the time of the accident. The body of one of the victims was blown through a house, seven hundred feet from the plant.

Oscar Lawler, Author of Famous Memorandum, Apologizes to Committee After Losing Temper on Stand.

FRIENDS SAY DR. COOK IS IN NEW YORK CITY

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, May 17.—According to the latest assertions of some of their friends, Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Arctic explorer, and Mrs. Cook, are now in New York city. They are said to be keeping the place of their abode secret.

It is said they are preparing to leave within a fortnight for Europe, where, it is reported Dr. Cook will make his home.

EIGHT ARE DROWNED IN CROSSING RIVER

By Associated Press.
GILHAM, Ark., May 17.—Mrs. Westley Wright and Mrs. Gena Heath, and six children were drowned in the Gossattot river tonight. They were trying to cross the river in a wagon in the darkness and did not observe that the river was out of its banks.

Refers to Brandeis as the Flower of the Foul Flock and is Greeted With Hisses From the Gallery.

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, May 17.—The day was filled with interesting episodes that reached a climax in the Ballinger-Pinchot investigation late today, when Assistant Attorney General Oscar Lawler, the author of the now famous Lawler memorandum, arose wrathfully from the witness stand, and accused Attorney Brandeis of uttering a deliberate untruth. Then, after having been rebuked by several members of the committee, Lawler withdrew the remark and apologized to the committee.

Lawler was called to the stand by the "defense" to explain the circumstances under which he prepared for the president the memorandum containing his opinion on the charges filed by Glavis against Ballinger. Several hours were consumed in the examination of Frederick Kerby, the stenographer in Ballinger's office, who was discharged yesterday because he made public confidential information relating to the Lawler memorandum.

Directly contradicting Ballinger's testimony before the committee, Kerby said his former superior knew about the preparation of the memorandum and participated in the conference on the subject. Furthermore, he said Lawler had told Private Secretary Carr in his presence that he had left a copy of the memorandum with Ballinger.

Under cross examination by Brandeis, Lawler was referred to the various requests for the document and information bearing on it, which the attorney had sent Ballinger through the committee. Lawler had informed the secretary at each instance and had supplied all the matter bearing on the Glavis charges "in his possession." Lawler said he had been asked by the president to prepare an opinion and he regarded it as a confidential trust. He said he had furnished the committee all the information he felt at liberty to divulge, and didn't think he had any right to inform the com-

mittee that such a memorandum existed.

When the draft was typewritten by Kerby and Massey, Lawler said he called Ballinger and others to hear it read, in order that it would be absolutely correct. Lawler said he burned the original draft of the memorandum.

"I am confident," he said, "that the gum-shoe men have been on my trail for months. I knew there was no depths of degradation to which they would not stoop. I was afraid that someone in the office might be corrupted as Kerby has been corrupted."

Asked who he thought was behind the "gum-shoe" men, Lawler declared James Garfield, Gifford Pinchot, Norman Hapgood, a man named Connolly "and that man there."

"You mean Brandeis?"

"Yes. He came in later. He is the flower of that foul flock."

This reference to the champions of conservation caused an uproar among the spectators, most of whom were women, and there was some hissing.

The confidential letters which passed between Ballinger and R. P. Thompson, the city engineer of Seattle, last spring, were read by Kerby to bear out his contention that Thompson was not a fit man to be director in the reclamation service. He said he had mentioned to Brandeis at Pinchot's home here last February that Ballinger intended to supplant Director Newell with Thompson ever since he became secretary.

The letters related to a trip to Alaska during which Ballinger suggested that Thompson should be taken as an expert in the summer of 1909 with George Perkins, of the J. P. Morgan and company, to make some investigation with a view to establishing a railroad for the development of mineral lands.

It appeared from the correspondence that Thompson first agreed to go to Alaska but subsequently he abandoned the trip to be present at the Spokane Irrigation congress.

ANOTHER UPRISING AT CHANGSHA FEARED

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, May 17.—Another uprising at Changsha, China, is feared. The commander of the United States gunboat Helena has telegraphed from Hankow that the conditions at Changsha were most serious, and that all foreigners were notified officially May 11 to seek refuge on the ships that were available.

VOTE AGAINST CHANGE OF INAUGURATION DATE

By Associated Press.
WASHINGTON, May 17.—The house today declined to give the necessary two-thirds vote in favor of a change of the date of inauguration of president and vice president of the United States from March 4 to the last Thursday in April.

LANGFORD IS GIVEN DECISION IN THE SECOND

By Associated Press.
NEW YORK, May 17.—Sam Langford punished Al Kubiak, the Michigan heavyweight so severely tonight that the referee was forced to stop the scheduled ten round bout in the second round. Kubiak outweighed Langford at least forty pounds but the negro scored with terrific body blows.

FOREST FIRE MENACES RANCH OF SENATOR

By Associated Press.
SANTA ROSA, Cal., May 17.—A forest fire, raging just beyond Hood mountain, is sweeping across the timber land and pastures near Kentwood, twelve miles east of this place. The ranch of Senator Thomas Kearns of Utah is in the path of the flames. Volunteers have responded from neighboring sections to fight the fire.

NEWSPAPERS ARE LOSING AFFECTIONS OF THE PEOPLE

Editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal Scores Present Day Papers for the Methods Used.

By Associated Press.
TORONTO, Canada, May 17.—Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, addressed the Canadian Press association today upon the changing conditions of the newspaper profession.

In answering questions put to him, he said the newspapers were losing the affections of the people because of some of their methods. He characterized the brutal publicity given by some of the newspapers of the private affairs of a certain Washington young lady, and an Italian prince, presumably Miss Elkins and the Duke of Abruzzi.

In speaking of the newspaper

profession he said it has no sure standards, either of work or duty, and that its intellectual landscape is anonymous, its moral destinations confused if not impalpable.

Continuing Watterson said he believed the newspaper should not consider itself a public prosecutor, but rather a personal representative and friend, a neighbor to good men and women, pouring upon the community the sunshine of heaven and not kindling and stirring the fires of hell. Its aim, first, last and always, should be to enlighten, brighten, radiate and to warm, not to embitter, browbeat or to dazzle.

STATE AERIE OF CALIFORNIA ELECT OFFICERS

By Associated Press.
UKIAH, Cal., May 17.—J. B. Shafer of Los Angeles was elected worthy president of the California State Aerie F. O. E. today at the convention of that order which is now in session here. Thomas Carpenter, of Alameda, was elected state vice president and Gus Pohlman, of San Francisco, state secretary. The next annual session will be held at Stockton.

NINE FREIGHT CARS BLOWN FROM TRACK

By Associated Press.
DENVER, Colo., May 17.—Struck by a terrific gust of wind as the train emerged from a cut two miles east of Cheyenne Wells, Colo., last night, nine cars of a Union Pacific freight train were blown from the track.

PARTIAL RETURNS INDICATE THAT DENVER IS "WET."

By Associated Press.
DENVER, Colo., May 17.—Partial returns indicate that Denver has gone "wet," and that the proposition for a new twenty-year franchise for the Denver Union Water company, is defeated.

CONLEY AND MORAN TO FIGHT TEN ROUNDS

By Associated Press.
LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 17.—The Conley-Moran match, which was declared off last night, is on again, and instead of May 27th, they will fight ten rounds on June 7th. The contest will be held at Naud Junction where no decisions are permitted. A disagreement regarding Moran's weight was the cause of the change.

MINERS RETURN.

By Associated Press.
DES MOINES, Iowa, May 17.—Seventeen thousand Iowa miners picked up their tools today and re-entered the mines after a suspension of six weeks. As a result of concessions granted the miners, the operators have advanced the price of all coal mined in the thirteenth Iowa district two cents a ton.

KETCHEL KNOCKS OUT JAMES "PORKY" FLYNN

By Associated Press.
BOSTON, May 17.—Stanley Ketchel sent James "Porky" Flynn, of Boston, down and out in the third round of a scheduled twelve round bout tonight.

Yesterday's Baseball Games and Percentage of the Teams

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
At Pittsburgh—Pittsburg, 3; Boston 0.
At St. Louis—St. Louis, 10; Philadelphia, 3.
Other games postponed, rain.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Pittsburg	14	8	.636
Cincinnati	12	9	.571
Philadelphia	12	10	.545
Chicago	13	11	.542
New York	14	12	.538
St. Louis	12	13	.480
Boston	9	15	.375
Brooklyn	9	17	.346

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
At Boston—Boston, 8; Detroit, 4.
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia, 3; Chicago, 0.
At Washington—Washington, 1; Cleveland, 2.
At New York—New York, 8; St. Louis, 7. Eleven innings.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Philadelphia	17	4	.810
New York	14	8	.636
Detroit	15	11	.577
Cleveland	13	10	.565
Boston	13	12	.520
Chicago	8	13	.381
Washington	9	17	.346
St. Louis	4	18	.182

COAST LEAGUE.
At Oakland—Oakland, 4; Portland, 1.

At Los Angeles—Vernon, 3; Los Angeles, 1.
At Sacramento—Sacramento, 4; San Francisco, 2.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Portland	26	18	.591
San Francisco	23	18	.561
Los Angeles	25	20	.556
Oakland	23	25	.479
Sacramento	22	24	.478
	15	29	.341

MAY CATCH FROM TAIL OF THE COMET

By Associated Press.
PASADENA, Cal., May 17.—In order to catch some of the particles of fine dust which the tail of Halley's comet is supposed to be carrying in its sweep through space, the United States Geological survey have had erected a tower at the Carnegie observatory on Mt. Wilson with a plate coated with glycerine surmounting it. Dr. Geo. Hale, director of the observatory, has little hope of success in the scheme.

TRAINER OF THE PORTLAND TEAM IS ON JEFF'S STAFF

By Associated Press.
BEN LOMOND, Cal., May 17.—Jeffries spent two hours and fifteen minutes in the gymnasium this afternoon, the longest uninterrupted session he has undergone since he began training. The program included shadow boxing, bag punching, rope skipping, and handball. Rodger Cornell, the condition expert and masseur arrived at the camp this morning and took charge of the rubbing room. He deserted the Portland baseball team to join the Jeffries staff.

BREAKS RECORD WITH AEROPLANE

By Associated Press.
MOURMELON, France, May 17.—David Kinot, the Belgian aviator yesterday broke the world's record for an aeroplane flight, with a passenger, remaining in the air for two hours and 51 minutes.

MANY DEATHS RESULT FROM HOTEL FIRE

By Associated Press.
PHOENIX, Ariz., May 17.—Only seventy out of more than a hundred guests who were in the Adams hotel, which was destroyed by fire today, are accounted for tonight and fears are expressed that some may have been burned to death. The register of the hotel was destroyed by the flames. The damage is estimated at more than \$275,000. The ruins are being searched.

FOREST FIRES CHECKED.

By Associated Press.
ST. PAUL, Minn., May 17.—A telephone message from Walker, Minn., today said the forest fires which threatened that town had been checked by a light rain and the danger temporarily passed.

The Bonanza's ruffing and binding plant is still running. Bring in your orders.